

per cent by weight of the total composition, with the proviso that if said copolymer is a maleic anhydride-modified polybutadiene, then the compositions do not contain both an elastomer and brass.

2. A process according to claim 1 wherein the peroxide is used in an amount of from 1 to 5[, preferably from 1.5 to 4,] per cent by weight, based on the weight of the polymer/elastomer.

3. A process according to claim 1 wherein the polymer/elastomer is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins and elastomers[, preferably from the group consisting of polyethylene and ethylene- α -olefin copolymers, including ethylene propylene copolymer, ethylene octene copolymer, and ethylene propylene diene copolymer].

4. A process according to claim 1 wherein the copolymer has olefin-derived moieties and anhydride and/or acid groups and has a molecular weight from 500 to 50,000.

5. A process according to claim 4 wherein the copolymer comprises olefinic units derived from ethylene, propylene, butadiene, isobutylene and/or C_6 to C_{24} (α -)olefins.

6. A product obtained by the process of any one of the preceding claims.

7. A composition comprising:

- 5-60% by weight, based on the total weight of the composition, of one or more peroxides,

- 0.1-500% by weight, based on the weight of the peroxide(s), of a copolymer with olefin-derived moieties and anhydride and/or acid groups,

- optional further additives, and

- 0-50% by weight of a carrier material,

which are suitable for use in the process of claim 1.

8. A composition according to claim 7 wherein the copolymer has a molecular weight from 500 to 50,000.

9. A composition according to claim 7 or 8 wherein the copolymer comprises olefinic units derived from propylene, butadiene, isobutylene and/or C₆ to C₂₄ α -olefins.

10. A composition according to any one of claims 7-9 wherein the copolymer is obtained from monomer mixtures comprising 5-75% by weight of anhydride/acid group-containing monomers.

11. A composition containing 1-99.9% by weight, based on the total weight of the composition, of conventional additives and/or conventional carrier materials and 99-0.1% by weight, based on the weight of the composition, of a copolymer with olefin-derived moieties and anhydride and/or acid groups, up to a total of 100%, which are suitable for use in the process of claim 1.
